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Amdt. dated December 7, 2005

**Supplemental Reply** 

**REMARKS** 

Claims 1, 2, 4-12, and 14-15 remain in this application with claims 1 and 10 in

independent form. Claims 1 has been amended and claim 15 has been added. There is

full support in the specification as originally filed for the amendments and no new matter

is believed to be added.

The substance of the prior Office Action has been responded to in the amendment

dated December 7, 2005. However, in amending claim 1 in the prior response, Applicant

inadvertently included limitations lacking proper antecedent basis. As such, Applicant

has amended claim 1 to correct the antecedent basis by removing the limitation.

Additionally, claim 15 has been added to include the limitation from claim 1, which was

previously claimed in cancelled claim 3.

Claims 1 and 10, as amended, overcome the rejections and are therefore believed

to be allowable. Claims 2, 4-9, 11-12, and 14-15, which depend directly or indirectly

from claims 1 and 10, are also believed to be allowable.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Application, as amended, is now

presented in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. Applicant

believes that no extensions of time or fees are due, however, if any become required, the

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any

overpayments to Deposit Account 08-2789.

Respectfully submitted

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